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1. In the village of Maslinovo, which has about 200 houses, there is a total of 30 Communists.
2. A kolkhoz was formed in the village, but only the Communists became members. The other peasants in the area refused to join the kolkhoz even though they risked having their land confiscated.
3. The leading Communist in the Kerdzhali area is Mata Tiourkedjieva, a former school teacher from Maslinovo. She was born in the village of Eni-Kioi, Alexandroupolis and is approximately 40 years old. She lives in Kerdzhali at the present time.
4. The police chief for Kerdzhali is a certain Chilingarov. He is about 28 years old and was born in the village of Dogan-Hissar, Komotini. He resides in the city of Paskovo. About 7 March 1950 he came to the village of Maslinovo and tried, without success, to recruit five or six candidates for the Militia from among the local Communists. The Militia-men were to have been recruited for the city of Ardino.

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